

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers



"Take Your Hat, Use the Door..."

Dear Ann Landers: I'm writing this letter at 5 p.m. on the dining room table. I had to push last night's dinner dishes aside to make room. I ate breakfast out this morning because I didn't feel like washing yesterday's frying pans.

On the doorknob hangs a pair of trousers I asked my wife to press three days ago. I just found her note saying "I went shopping with the neighbor. Fix your own supper. I'm going to a movie tonight." So, I'll fix my own supper as I have done dozens of times before.

This house is filthy. I had to buy a shirt yesterday because there were no clean ones in the drawer. I've begged, scolded and nagged for three years. Nothing works. When I tell my wife I'm leaving she says, "Here's your hat. What's your hurry?" Since you are against divorce what do you suggest?—MIX-MATCHED

Dear Mix: I suggest that you take your hat and use the door. Leave a note telling her where to reach you when she grows up sufficiently to accept the responsibilities of a wife.

From your letter it appears she is contributing nothing to the marriage but wise cracks. A lawyer can tell you what your obligations are under the circumstances. Then tell her. And, Brother, she is in for a jolt!

Dear Ann Landers: A certain fellow who gets on the bus with me almost every morning is very nice looking. He doesn't wear a wedding ring so I don't know if he's married or not.

He never says good morning but he always takes the seat next to me even when there are window seats available.

Yesterday it occurred to me that the big attraction is my newspaper. He cranes his neck and reads right along with me. Now I'm irritated by his cheapness. Shall I tell him if he wants to read a paper to buy one? — PETTY BETTY

Dear Petty: No. Buy two papers tomorrow morning and hand him one. Say in your sweetest voice "Tomorrow it's your turn to buy."

(P.S. To newspaper circulation departments: This is a pretty sneaky way to sell papers, isn't it?)

Dear Ann Landers: I was engaged to a wonderful fellow. We had a joint bank account and were saving to be married. Everything was lovely and then he had to go into the service. Last July he was sent 2,000 miles from here.

I wasn't satisfied with his letters and phone calls so like a goof I started to sneak dates with some guys I knew were bums. I kept telling myself it was just for kicks. Then I started to drink more than I should. To get to the point, Ann, I'm three months (Continued on Page 18)



WELCOME COMMITTEE... The retiring committee for the Triple T Dance club entertained the new committee at dinner at the Palms restaurant recently. Discussing plans for the new year and the change of command are from left, Nike Drale, Mrs. Drale, who will serve again in an advisory capacity, Mrs. William Shawger John Melville, Mrs. Louis Dyer, Mrs. Melville, William Shawger, Robert Rojo, and Mrs. Rojo, president for the new year. The new committee, consisting of the Shawgers, Dyers, and Rojos will stage their first dance in January.



JUDITH GARRISON... February Bride

Engagement Announced At Party

At a buffet dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Garrison at their home, 26130 Narbonne Ave., the announcement of the engagement of their daughter, Judith, to Chett Allen was revealed.

The wedding will be solemnized on Feb. 16, 1962, at the First Christian Church in Torrance.

The future bride was graduated from Narbonne High school and is a freshman at Harbor College. She is a member of the Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Allen, 1663 215th St., Torrance was also graduated from Narbonne. He is presently serving with the United States Air Force, stationed at McClellan Air Base, Sacramento.

Weekend Guest

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Boylan had as their weekend guest at their Grand Summit Rd. home, Miss Kathy Lias, student at Mt. St. Mary's College in Santa Monica. Kathy is the daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. Robert Lias of Las Vegas. Her grandmother, Mrs. Katherine Santanguie, is a pioneer resident of Las Vegas.



MRS. JAMES L. HAEFELI... At Home in Lomita (Portrait by Seeman)

Joan Marie Esty Becomes Bride of James L. Haefeli

In a double ring ceremony at the First Methodist Church at 8 o'clock on Saturday, Nov. 25, Miss Joan Marie Esty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan D. Esty, exchanged her marriage promises with James L. Haefeli, Mrs. Norma Haefeli, 2513 Sierra, Torrance, is the mother of the bridegroom.

For her wedding, the bride wore a floor length gown of white peau de soie fashioned in bustle effect at the back. The bodice had a round neckline and long pointed sleeves. A pearl crown held the bridal veil and she carried white orchids encircled by white roses and lilies of the valley. Mr. Esty gave his daughter in marriage.

Mrs. Virginia Lovato was the matron of honor and bridesmaids were Misses Sandy Allen, Mary Jo Phillips and Sandra Allen. Each wore an opera blue sheath with bouffant overskirt. Their bouquets were of pink glemillas. Ray McKown stood as best man and the 100 guests were seated by Walter Pinckard.

Rev. Gilbert S. Zimmerman, pastor, officiated at the marriage. Mrs. Ruth Magart played a musical nuptial background and the wedding marches.

A reception was held at the church. Miss Mildred Ann Thompson was in charge of the bride's book.

The couple spent a honeymoon in Palm Springs and are now at home at 24647 Pennsylvania Ave., Lomita.

The bride, a Banning High School graduate, is employed by a Palos Verdes Escrow Co.

Her husband, a Torrance High graduate, is an employee of Columbia Steel Co.



JANET HENDERSON... Accepts Ring

Couple Set Jan. 6 For Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Henderson, 24111 Fulmar Ave., Lomita, announce the engagement and wedding plans of their daughter, Janet Eileen, and James Edward Weston. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Lou Weston, 2586 219th St., Long Beach.

The couple will be married on Jan. 6 at the Wayfarers Chapel in Portuguese Bend.

The bride-elect was graduated from Torrance High school in June, 1961. She is employed by the Bureau of Adoptions in Long Beach.

Her fiancé attended Poivy High school in Long Beach and is employed by Mayflower Hodges.

Christmas Music At Club Meet

Bishop Montgomery High School Girl's Chorus will again appear at the Torrance Women's Club Christmas program on Dec. 20. Following tradition, a tree will be decorated with dollar bills by members attending; this year the proceeds will go to the General Federation of Women's Clubs' project of scholarships for Latin America.

A gift exchange of members will also be held and Christmas carols sung together following a pot luck luncheon at 12:30. Mrs. J. P. Bay, program chairman, will introduce the chorus following the business meeting conducted by President Mrs. Leondrus Stamps.

Las Fiestadores Holiday Dance Saturday Eve

Invitations in the form of tiny Christmas gift packages were received by members of the Las Fiestadores Club inviting them to the annual Christmas dance to be held Saturday evening at the Fred Astaire Studio.

A social hour will begin at 8 p.m. and dancing will follow to the music of Les Troniers and his orchestra. The Christmas "gift" idea will be carried out in decorations.

On the committee for the event are Dr. and Mrs. Burton Easley, chairmen, Messrs. and Mmes. Earl Clayton, Robert Clayton, Walt Clausung, and R. R. Dexter.



AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE... A gift exchange followed the luncheon when the Little Company of Mary auxiliary held its Christmas party at the new Nativity auditorium on Dec. 3. Sorting the gifts are from left, Mrs. Clarence Van Lingen, first vice president, Mother Lucy, honorary auxiliary president, and Mrs. Frank H. Forester, president.



AT THE HEAD TABLE... Officers of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary served as hostesses at the annual holiday luncheon. At the gaily bedecked head table are from left, Mmes Frank Forester, president, Paul Hogan, Rollon Harden and Raymond Grimsinger, all board members.

Children's Party Stated Monday Eve

Annual Christmas party for the children of Lomita Masonic and Eastern Star lodges will be held at Masonic Temple, 25725 Blane Place, on Monday evening, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m.

A special Christmas program has been planned. Santa Claus will be present. Refreshments will be served in the dining room. Jeanette Bergon and Edrie Peterson are the co-chairmen of the party.

To Florida

Mrs. Ernest Hill, 20705 S. Brenda, will leave by plane Saturday for Clearwater, Fla., where she will spend the next six months with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bledsoe.

Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Backlund entertained at dinner last Saturday evening at their Miraleste home. Their guests were Dr. and Mrs. Paul Winn, Messrs. and Mmes. Jack Brooks and Dean Sears.

Knights and Ladies Plan Yule Smorgasbord, Dance

Permin Lasuen Council of the Knights of Columbus and Ave Maria Council of the Ladies of Columbus are holding their annual Christmas Smorgasbord Dinner and Dance on Saturday night, Dec. 16, in the Knights of Columbus hall at 331 Birch Ave. in Torrance.

A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. A smorgasbord dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. Dancing to Al Gervais and his orchestra will be enjoyed from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m.

Lady Harry Thompson is general chairman of the event. Aiding her are Grand Knight Joseph Simons, Grand Lady Richard Simpson and Lady Lewis Gleason.

Here for Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. George Wright of Syracuse, N. Y., arrived Sunday to spend the holidays here with their sons and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brislin and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brislin.

Entertainment will be provided under the direction of Mrs. Walter Hanf.

Decorations will be provided by officers of the Ladies of Columbus.

Tickets may be purchased by calling any of the following: Lady Thompson, Knight Joseph Simons, Lady Simpson, or Lady Gleason.

Club Hostess

Mrs. Bessie Myers entertained her club and guests Tuesday afternoon at her home, 1508 Post Ave.

Following a luncheon, the afternoon was spent playing bridge. Mrs. Plu White held the high score and Mrs. Alma Smith, second.

Club members present were Mmes J. S. Lancaster, Plu Whyte, R. R. Smith, J. R. Klink and J. B. Scotten.

Mrs. Myers' guests were Mrs. Alma Smith and Mrs. John Keefer.



MR. MRS. JOSEPH KENNEDY... Married 50 Years

Joseph Kennedys Feted On Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Kennedy, 162 W. 220th St., Torrance, were honored at a reception at the Ivy House in Inglewood last Sunday afternoon celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy were married Dec. 10, 1911 in Stamps, Arkansas.

For a few years they lived in Texarkana, Ark., where Mr. Kennedy was mail clerk for the Cotton Belt Railroad. The family moved to Torrance in 1924.

Mr. Kennedy began work with the National Supply Co. from which he was recently retired after completing 30 years.

Sunday's party was given by the couple's three children, Mrs. Irene Fagon of Hawthorne, Mrs. Mildred Nagy, Santa Barbara, and Bill Kennedy of Norwalk.

Adding to the couple's joy on this memorable occasion was the presence of their six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Approximately 150 guests called to congratulate the couple. Refreshments were served from a table centered by a large cake decorated in white and gold.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy received numerous gifts from their relatives and friends from over Southern California.